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SUBJECT 1. Civilian Training, Defense, etc., in Hungary  
2. New Highway from Budapest to Pecs.

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1. Members of the Hungarian Freedom Fighters' Association (Magyar Szabadsagharcos Szövetseg), an organization composed of men and women who were trained for partisan activities, were given paramilitary training. Most of the members were men deferred from, or physically rejected for, Army service. The training given consisted of:

Target shooting with small arms  
Driving instruction  
Parachute training  
Radio and telephone training  
Sports, physical training, and gymnastics

50X1 The time to be devoted weekly or monthly to this training was decided  
50X1 arbitrarily by the local instructors.

2. From 1951 to 1953, directives were promulgated in Budapest stating that no combustible or inflammable material was to be stored in attics. As of 1951, all air raid shelters in Budapest were being reconditioned. The subway construction which started in 1950 was to be used as an air raid shelter in an emergency. All over Budapest in 1952 and 1953 air raid wardens were organized, and all Hungarians were supposed to read a manual on air raid defense.

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3. [ ] no idea of the percentage of people who would resist the regime if given outside support. The people were all afraid of informers and did not discuss such things.
4. Because many of the leading government officials in Hungary were of Jewish background, strong anti-Semitism existed in Hungary.
5. In 1952 and 1953, a new highway was being built from Budapest to Pecs /N 46-05, E 18-13/. This highway was similar to an Autobahn, and of concrete wide enough for four cars.

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